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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 5 April 2005, time for response to which was set to expire 5 July 2005. A petition for an extension of time of one (1) month until 5 August 2005 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. The rejection was made final. As noted in a Communication filed 15 April 2005 by fax in this case, claims added in the previous amendment, which was acknowledged in the instant Office action were not acknowledged as pending or examined. Applicants respectfully request examination of these claims, claims 87-93, in an additional or superseding Office action. In the meantime, applicants respond to the rejections of the examined claims. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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